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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: Walter D. BUIST  
Serial No. : 10/666,817  
Filing Date : September 17, 2003  
Entitled : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MESSAGE COMMUNICATION  
Examiner : Firmin Backer  
Group Art Unit: 3621

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF MAY 9, 2005**  
**AND REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action, dated May 9, 2005, Applicant submits the following response. Applicant encloses a Request for Continued Examination together with this Amendment and Response. The shortened statutory period for response to the Office Action expired on August 9, 2005. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants therefore petition for a 2-month extension of time extending the time for response to October 9, 2005. Please charge the extension of time fee and any other necessary LARGE ENTITY fees to Deposit Account No. 16-2500.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.**